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SRI P. RAMAMURTHI :—" Will the Government make copies of the report available to the Members of the House immediately? "

THE HON. SRI N. SANKARA REDDI :—" It is not possible to do so immediately. The suggestion made by the hon. Member will be considered."

Taking over of the Punganur Estate by the Government.

* 6 Q.—SRI B. KRISHNAMURTHI RAO : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) the reason for not taking over the Punganur Estate in Chittoor district by the Government; and

(b) whether any representations were made to the Government by the ryots of the Punganur Estate, Chittoor district, requesting the Government to take over the estate, and if so, the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" (a) Punganur zamindari estate in the Chittoor district was notified under the Madras Estates (Abolition and Conversion into Ryotwari) Act, 1948, to be taken over by the Government on 7th September 1950. The estate has however not yet been taken over as the High Court has restrained the Government from taking possession of the estate, forests, accounts, registers or documents or from interfering with the collection of arrears of rent due to the landholder from the tenants.

" (b) No such representations have been received by the Government."

MR. SPEAKER :—" I wish to know from the Hon. Minister whether the matter is pending before a court? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Yes, Sir."

MR. SPEAKER :—" No supplementary questions shall be allowed as the matter is *sub judice*. I pass on to the next question."

Number of prisoners of various categories.

* 7 Q.—SRI Y. ADINARAYANA REDDI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Law be pleased to state—

(a) how many prisoners there are in various jails in Madras State on account of prohibition offences at present; and

(b) how many detenus there are and how many politicals there are still in prisons in Madras State?

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAYAR :—" (a) Number of prisoners on account of Prohibition offences—5,094.

" (b) Detenus—2.

Politicals—Nil."